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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Seungkoo Kang, *et al.*

Serial No.: 10/695,060

: Examiner: not assigned

Confirmation No.: 5976

: Group Art Unit: 1714

Filed: 28 October 2003

For: **Superabsorbent Polymer**

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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.182  
FOR THE EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION OF  
A PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(a)(1) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(e)(2)  
TO CORRECT THE FILING DATE OF THE APPLICATION**

Sir:

This is a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.182 to expedite the consideration of a petition filed October 26, 2004 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(a)(1) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(e)(2) to correct the filing date of the application. The expediting of such consideration appears to be a situation not specifically provided for in the regulations. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$130 petition fee and any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 502190.

An International Application was filed with the United States Receiving Office on October 27, 2004 based on and claiming the October 28, 2003 filing date of the present application. In the mean time, the United States Receiving Office has mailed an Invitation to Correct Priority Claim based on the discrepancy between the actual October 28, 2003 filing date and the filing date indicated in the records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The deadline for making the correction is February 28, 2005.

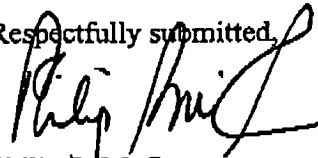
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Applicants respectfully request the expedited consideration and grant by **January 28, 2005** of the petition for correcting the filing date of the application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(a)(1) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(e)(2) to allow sufficient time to respond to the Invitation to Correct Priority Claim by the February 28, 2005 deadline.

Applicants respectfully request the grant of this petition to expedite the consideration of the petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(a)(1) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(e)(2) filed October 26, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,



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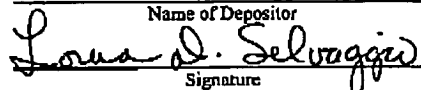
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